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## CHANGES LOOKED FOR

In the Composition of the  
British Cabinet Within the  
Next Few Weeks.

## PREMIER WILL REMAIN IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Everything Points to the Ac-  
ceptance By James Bryce  
of Ambassadorship to the  
United States.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The first of the  
impending changes in the cabinet to be  
announced is the resignation of J. E.  
Ellis, parliamentary secretary to the  
India office. He is leaving on account  
of ill health and is going abroad to  
reconvalesce. It is understood Walter  
Runciman, parliamentary secretary to  
the local government board, will suc-  
ceed him. It is stated that the Mar-  
quis of Ripon, lord of the privy seal,  
and Sir H. Fowler, chancellor of the  
exchequer, will resign, and it is  
rumored that Herbert Gladstone will  
leave the home office. Sir Henry  
Campbell-Bannerman, however, accord-  
ing to the latest political gossip, has  
decided to remain in the House of  
Commons in view of a liberal attack  
that is about to be made on the upper  
house. Everything, however, appears  
to hinge on James Bryce's acceptance  
of the post of ambassador to the  
United States.

The British press is now beginning  
to regard Bryce's acceptance as a fore-  
gone conclusion.  
The Tribune today referring to the  
subject, points out that the post of  
ambassador to Washington might easily  
become the most exalted position in  
the diplomatic service, despite con-  
siderations to the contrary. The paper  
adds that the possibility of Bryce's  
acceptance meets with general approval,  
both in England and in the United  
States.

"President Roosevelt, it is said, the  
Tribune continues," has allowed it to  
be known that he would cordially wel-  
come Mr. Bryce's appointment. On  
this side of the Atlantic it is recog-  
nized that a post so attractive, influ-  
ential and distinguished would be a  
fitting climax to Bryce's long public  
career.

## HICKS' RELEASE NOT EFFECTED

Cannot Be Reached Before  
Late Tonight.

Still Twelve Feet of Solid  
Granite to Be Drilled  
Through By Hand.

BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 16.—The re-  
lease of Hicks, the miner who has been  
entombed in a mountain of granite at  
the works of the Edison Electric com-  
pany in the Kern river canyon since  
a week ago last Saturday, was not ef-  
fected today, as planned, and the offi-  
cials in charge do not expect the drift  
to be completed until late tomorrow  
night or Tuesday morning.

Under the direction of the Smith-  
field, the company's resident physician  
arrangements for caring for Hicks af-  
ter he is rescued, have been made. The  
miner will be bandaged and then  
placed on a stretcher, which ten em-  
ployees will carry through six miles of  
completed tunnel to the company hospi-  
tal, where he will be given constant  
attention until fully recovered from  
his remarkable experience.

At 6 o'clock tonight twelve feet of  
hard granite stood between the miner  
and his friends. One shift of men  
working eight hours were able to tear  
away only four feet of rock today.  
The work has become exceedingly dif-  
ficult, and every piece of granite is re-  
moved by hand drilling.

## DESULTORY SERVICE ON PORTLAND LINES

Both Sides Are Claiming a Victory  
in the Strike of Electric  
Car Men.

PORTLAND, Dec. 16.—The Portland  
Light and Power company, running its  
cars with double crews, managed to  
maintain a desultory service during  
the entire day up to sundown, when  
to avoid a repetition of last night's  
disturbances, all cars were run to their  
garages during the day, the most ser-  
ious being in the outskirts of town,  
where a couple of places in the tracks  
were barricaded and two cars thrown  
over by the mobs. The down town  
streets were thronged all the afternoon  
with curiosity seekers but except at-  
tempts by an occasional gang of rowdies  
to pull trolley ropes, the cars were  
not molested. The street car company  
declares that only thirty-seven of its  
cars were able to report for work today  
and says it will have no difficulty  
in operating all its cars if the munici-  
pal authorities will prevent a repetition  
of the excesses of hoodlums, which  
took place Saturday night.  
At the street car men's headquarters,  
it is claimed that about 550 men are  
on strike, and the one men profess  
to believe that the strike is already won.  
A conservative estimate made  
tonight is that there are about 100  
willing strikers, and about 200 un-  
willing ones. These latter, it is be-  
lieved, will take the earliest opportu-  
nity to join the winning side.

## DISTURBANCES WERE BUT FEW

Paris Churches Attended By  
Large Crowds.

Collisions in the Provinces Be-  
tween Catholics and  
Free Thinkers.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—The serious dis-  
turbances that it was thought would  
ensue on this, the first Sunday under  
the law separating the church and  
state were not realized. The services  
in this city in particular passed off  
quietly. There was a notable increase  
in the size of the congregations, and  
in them were large bodies of men.  
There were only a few cases where  
rowdies entered the churches wearing  
their hats, and they were promptly  
ejected and arrested.  
Reports from the provinces show  
that there was great excitement at  
many places. Large processions of  
clergy and from churches in several  
cities, notably Perpignan and Amiens,  
where the Catholics and free thinkers  
came into collision, necessitating in-  
terference by the police who quickly  
dispersed the crowds. Several demon-  
strators were injured. Bishop de  
Lille, while receiving the official no-  
tice to leave the bishopric of Maubeuge,  
suffered a violent nervous shock and  
fell unconscious. Later, however, he  
recovered.

## HIBERNIANS DENOUNCE FRENCH GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The An-  
cient Order of Hibernians of Washington  
today adopted resolutions denouncing  
France for the action taken in the con-  
trovercy with the Vatican. The con-  
fiscation of church property was termed  
"downright robbery." W. J. Spru-  
zen, a member of the Australian parlia-  
ment, who addressed the meeting,  
declared that the people of Australia  
aspire to independence, and in the end  
expect to occupy the same position in  
the Orient as the United States holds  
on the western continent.

## HUNTED MAN AT ENSENADA

Efforts to Have Captain Hall  
Extradited.

Rest of Party Sailed Away in  
Launch and May Have  
Been Lost.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 16.—Robert  
Israel, a sailor who arrived in this  
city in the yawl America from Ensenada  
today, reports that when he left the  
latter place, Captain W. H. Hall, whose  
extradition is sought on a charge  
of abducting 14-year-old Dora  
Bennis from San Diego, was in the  
large California seaport. Israel says  
that Hall told him that when he came  
ashore at Ensenada early this month  
the rest of his party on his launch, the  
Rover, sailed away and left him  
alone. The party consisted of a sailor, Mrs.  
Emma Howison and the girl, Dora  
Bennis. The Rover then had gaso-  
line to last only thirty-five miles, and  
about a week's supply of food. The  
little craft left Ensenada just before the  
recent severe storm and nothing is  
known of the fate of those on  
board. Local authorities are tonight  
seeking to have Governor Pardee  
take steps to have Hall held at En-  
senada and extradited. He was not  
in custody when Israel left.

## FRANCE IS AGAINST CHRIST

Catholic Church Should Have  
Support of All Christians,  
Says Archbishop Farley.

## PROPERTY IS HELD IN TRUST FOR CHARITY

Why Situation Cannot Be  
Compared to That in United  
States, Where Real Religi-  
ous Liberty Obtains.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Arch-  
bishop John M. Farley today gave  
out the following statement on the  
church and state controversy in  
France:  
"Here in America where there is  
no attempt made by the state to in-  
terfere with the various religious de-  
nominations, the people at large are  
naturally disposed to condemn clergy-  
men who, declining to comply with  
the beliefs of the government expose  
themselves to a charge of rebellion  
against the authorities of the land.  
In order to understand the re-  
fusal of the Roman Catholic clergy  
of France to fulfill the requirements  
of the new law of separation, it must  
be explained that the provisions of  
the statute in question demand the  
consent of the church and of its min-  
isters to the alienation of all the  
property that has been bequeathed  
and donated them to be held in trust  
for religious and philanthropic pur-  
poses. It is property which they do  
not derive from the government, but  
from the munificence of the pious,  
and of which they are merely the  
trustees.

The situation created by the new  
law of separation, which is the cause  
of the present crisis in France is as  
follows: The legislature of New  
York were to enact laws compelling  
the trustees of the Trinity church  
corporation under the penalty of con-  
fiscation to give their consent to the  
alienation of all its vast property to  
other uses than those for which it  
was intended and to transfer its ad-  
ministration and control to people  
who might either belong to rival de-  
nominations or even profess atheism.  
It is as if the legislature of New  
York were to enact a statute requir-  
ing the Catholic church under the  
penalty of the confiscation of its  
property of one kind or another, to  
consent to the transfer of its manage-  
ment and control of its sacred edi-  
fices, seminaries and other educa-  
tional and charitable institutions to associations  
which, not merely avowed foes of  
Catholicism among the Protestant  
denominations, but agnostics and  
scheming politicians indifferent to  
any kind of religious belief were in  
the majority.

"It is inconceivable to the American  
people that the legislature of New  
York, or indeed, of any other state,  
of this great and free republic should  
enact any such laws of virtual spoli-  
ation. Yet that is precisely what the  
French government has done.

"In a word, the new law requires  
of the church the alienation of all its  
property to boards of laymen, in the  
selection of which it has virtually no  
voice, this board to have full and  
perfect control not only over the  
funds but even over the religious  
edifices and over the exercise of Di-  
vine worship itself, independent of  
priest, bishop and canon law.

"The property at stake consists  
of about 30,000 churches (of  
which less than 300 have been  
built with the aid of state  
or municipal aid) and of the property  
accumulated by means of endowments  
and legacies during the last 100 years,  
since the last confiscation of church  
property at the time of the great re-  
volution, and amounting to consider-  
ably over \$100,000,000. Only a por-  
tion of this vast property is destined  
for purely ecclesiastical purposes, the  
great majority of the funds being  
destined and used for purposes of  
charity and philanthropy. Of this  
property, the clergy are the trustees  
by virtue of the conditions under  
which it was bequeathed. Their ac-  
ceptance of the new law and their  
transfer of this property of the trust  
to the associations and cultuless  
would alienate forever the estate of  
the church, in deference to an in-  
imicable law, which may be repealed  
by another parliament.

"The crown rights of Christ." The  
clergy of France in one word are  
fighting the battle of Christendom  
and should have the sympathy of  
every Christian, no matter his de-  
nomination, or any church which  
owns property or endowment for pub-  
lic worship and for the dispensation  
of charity, according to its own  
light."

ROME, Dec. 16.—A communication  
issued at the Vatican this evening re-  
iterates the previous statement given  
out as to the objects of the French  
government, as to the archives in the  
municipality at Paris after the expulsion  
of Monsignor Montagnini was to dis-  
seminate false news in order to make  
the public believe that in the papers taken  
were "low insinuations of a money bar-  
gain for the appointment of bishops,  
gambling on the stock exchange," etc.  
The statement repeats the Vatican's  
original denunciation of the tactics em-  
ployed in securing the papers and espe-  
cially denounced what it terms efforts  
to make appear as due to the negotia-  
tions of the Vatican of Montagnini, some  
of the letters which, it says, really  
may have been received and kept as  
documents but which no honest man  
could take as a basis for facts that  
did not exist. Such letters, it is de-  
clared, may have been sent on purpose  
to Montagnini in order to have a dis-  
cussion in readiness for which a search  
was made.

With regard to the alleged arrange-  
ment with the Spanish ambassador at  
Paris for the care of the archives of the  
municipality, the communication says  
that neither the Vatican nor the Spanish  
ambassador in the Vatican ever thought  
of communicating with the Spanish am-  
bassador at Paris without first entering  
into an agreement.

With regard to the statement pub-  
lished in the National Zeitung of Ber-  
lin, attributing to his late unpublished  
portions of the memoirs of Prince  
Hohenlohe the declaration that Pope  
Leo XIII asked Emperor William for  
a gift of \$100,000, the communication  
declares it to be absurd.

## "No Liberal Catholics"

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Archbishop  
J. H. Blenk, of New Orleans, said to-  
day that he believed a compromise be-  
tween the Catholic church and the  
French government under existing con-  
ditions is impossible. He said further:  
"I believe the final outcome will be fa-  
vorable to the established order of  
things, and I hope at no far distant  
date, the God-blessed republic in  
France may be replaced by a God-fear-  
ing republic and that all inhabitants  
may learn the solemn lesson of history,  
that all attempts, no matter how in-  
sistently and even, to rob man  
of religion and his rights, without  
which life becomes a curse, spell  
supreme folly and failure.

"References made to Liberal French  
Catholics in a dispatch from France  
are entirely wrong and should be  
branded as a vile misrepresentation of  
facts. Those whose names are men-  
tioned in this connection are well  
known in France for their thoughtless  
servility to the aims and ends of the  
French government's anti-Christian  
campaign, and they are simply wear-  
ing the mask of hypocrisy for the pur-  
pose of entering the fold, then spread-  
ing confusion and working out under  
false cover the nefarious schemes of  
their governmental employers.

## ALMOST NAKED THROUGH SNOW

Young Miner Tried to Save  
Companions Life.

But Friend Was Found Frozen  
to Death By Rescuing  
Party.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16.—Ray-  
mond Nelson Kelly, a well known  
young man of this city and Santa  
Barbara, perished from cold on the  
Indian range beyond Owens River  
Valley after a heroic struggle by his  
companion, James C. Thompson, to save  
him. Thompson arrived today half  
dead with the story of the tragedy,  
which took place a week ago.

Kelly and Thompson had a gold  
mine twenty miles from Lone Pine  
and worked it all summer and fall.  
Ten days ago as the snow became  
deep and their provisions ran low,  
they went to Lone Pine for supplies.  
On the way back as they stood on  
a peak 11,000 feet high admiring the  
scenery Kelly became suddenly ill.  
Night came, it was bitterly cold, and  
they were miles from camp. Thomp-  
son carried his companion nearly a  
mile, but had to give up. Then he  
took off practically all his own cloth-  
ing and wrapped it about the sick  
man, laying him on the snow in a  
sheltered spot. Almost naked, he  
then ran back two miles in the dark-  
ness to Lone Pine. How he covered  
those miles will never be known.  
There are narrow edges where a  
slight mis-step would mean a plunge  
into a deep gorge and rugged rivers  
which try one's strength even when  
taken at leisure, but Thompson some-  
how sped on and on and at last fell  
fainting from fatigue as he passed the  
camp threshold and told of Kelly's  
peril.

A rescue party went up the moun-  
tain and found Kelly at midnight. He  
had struggled to his feet and fallen  
from a cliff and lay freezing. He  
opened his eyes, recognized his  
friends and died.

The body was buried in the deep  
snow and will be brought out in the  
spring.  
Thompson is heartbroken. The two  
young men, powerful six-foot fellows  
had been companions since child-  
hood.

## FORECAST OF THE WEEK

House Will Be Busy Until Holi-  
days With District and In-  
dian Appropriations.

## SENATE POSTPONES IMPORTANT MATTERS

Struggle Between Administra-  
tive and Policy Holders'  
Tickets for Control of Insur-  
ance Companies to End.

Both houses of congress will adjourn  
on Thursday next for the Christmas  
holidays, unless the senate should change  
the program adopted by the house, which  
is not probable. The resolution of ad-  
journment which was sent over by the  
house has not been taken up in the sen-  
ate, but it probably will receive atten-  
tion there tomorrow. A meeting of the  
senate committee on appropriations  
has been called for tomorrow morning,  
and there is little doubt that the resolu-  
tion will be reported back and acted  
upon by the senate early in the day.

The house resolution calls for the  
reopening of the two bodies Thurs-  
day, January 3d. There is some dispo-  
sition in the senate to extend the close  
to the following Monday, but it does  
not appear probable that this will be  
done.

The house has laid out a somewhat  
extended program for the time before  
the holiday adjournment, but little at-  
tention has been given to any arrange-  
ment of business for the senate. In the  
house, Monday will be devoted to the  
consideration of bills under an order pro-  
viding for the suspension of the rules  
and the rest of the week will be given  
to legislation pertaining to the District  
of Columbia, and to the bill making ap-  
propriations for the conduct of Indian  
affairs. There are twenty or thirty  
bills on the district calendar, which  
Blaekock, chairman of the district com-  
mittee, is very anxious to have passed,  
and the committee on rules has prom-  
ised him sufficient time for their con-  
sideration. There also will be a strenu-  
ous effort to secure action on the In-  
dian appropriation bill, and Chairman  
Sherman of the Indian committee is  
very hopeful of success in that direc-  
tion. If there should be time left, the  
omnibus claims bill will be taken up.

The urgent deficiency appropriation  
bill, which passed the house Saturday,  
is expected to receive the sanction of  
the senate before the holiday adjourn-  
ment. It will be sent to the commit-  
tee on receipt by the senate Monday  
and a prompt report is expected. The  
provision in the bill looking to the carry-  
ing in effect of the pure food law  
is regarded by both the senate and house  
as really urgent, and it is not only ex-  
pected that the senate will pass it,  
but that it will dispose of it early  
enough in the week to return it to  
the house in time to permit that body  
to take action before the adjournment  
on Thursday upon any amendments  
which the senate may make. It is pos-  
sible that the provision in the deficien-  
cy bill to meet the expenses of the  
intervention of this country in Cuba,  
will provide some debate, but other-  
wise the bill is expected to pass after  
very brief consideration.

There is also a possibility of speeches  
by Senators Kittredge and Geary on  
their respective resolutions, providing  
for an investigation of the lumber trust  
and an inquiry into the Japanese situ-  
ation, but while it is known that both  
senators are preparing to discuss their  
resolutions, it seems quite probable that  
they will postpone their remarks until  
after the holidays. Indeed, there is a  
general disposition in the senate to  
defer any further consideration of the  
dependent questions until January.  
The Smoot question, the negro franchise  
question and all other general legisla-  
tion and all other general legisla-  
tion and all other general legisla-  
tion will be postponed until after the  
holidays. Much interest attaches to  
the Panama message detailing the work  
of the canal zone, and outlining his  
recommendations concerning the work  
there, is expected Monday but for the  
present will receive no attention. The  
same may be said of four or five other communi-  
cations, which the president has promised  
for the week.

The long and hard fought campaign  
for control of the hundred of millions  
of dollars on the assets held by the  
great life insurance companies at New  
York state, will come to an end and  
the long battle, at least, with the elec-  
tion of officers, on December 18th.  
Against the so-called administration  
tickets, made up of the present officers  
of the companies, complete tickets  
named by policyholders' organizations  
have been placed, and every person  
holding a policy in any of the compa-  
nies will be permitted to register his  
choice, either personally or by proxy  
when the balloting begins Tuesday.  
Elaborate arrangements have been made  
by leaders of the various interests.

The New York MacAndrew & Pades  
company of New York and the E. S.  
Young company of Baltimore, both  
subsidiaries of the American Tobacco  
company, and both charged with violat-  
ing the Sherman anti-trust law, in re-  
straint of trade, will be begun in the

United States court in New York next  
Tuesday.

Teams representing Yale, Harvard, Col-  
umbia and Princeton, will meet in New  
York this week to take part in the  
annual national intercollegiate chess  
tournament. Play will begin Decem-  
ber 20th and continue for three days.

The annual celebration and banquet  
of the Ohio company of associates will  
be held in New York next Tuesday.  
Whitlaw Reid, American ambassador to  
Great Britain, will preside. Among the  
prominent guests will be Vice President  
Fairbanks and governors of several  
states, and Andrew Carnegie.

Arguments in the application of  
R. Hearst to Attorney-General Mayer  
for leave to institute an action in the  
nature of quo warranto proceeding  
against Mayor McClellan of New York  
city, will be made before the appellate  
division of the Supreme court on De-  
cember 21st.

## Obtain New Trial.

WYRE, Colo., Dec. 16.—Garrett Van  
Wyke and his wife who were convicted  
recently of murdering Gertrude  
Hanst, Mrs. Van Wyke's sister, last  
night were granted a new trial. The  
supreme court was based on the claim  
that they committed the crime to get  
life insurance money.

## Baseball at San Diego.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 16.—In the base-  
ball game between the Tuft-Lyons of  
Los Angeles and the San Diego team  
today, the former won by a score of  
5 to 1.

## SYSTEMS HOLD ON THE CONGO

A Million and a Half Paid for  
Privileges.

Every Third Mine Discovered  
Is to Belong to the  
Free State.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—According  
to the official bulletin of the Congo  
Free State, it is learned here the  
rights conferred upon the Ryan-Gug-  
genheim-Rockefeller syndicate by  
royal decrees dated November 2d  
last, give it the right to prospect for  
minerals over the whole of the un-  
assigned public domain in the Congo  
Free State for a period of six years.  
Whatever mines are established by  
this exploration may be worked for  
ninety-nine years, but one out of  
every three is to become the prop-  
erty of the state at once. A company  
called the International Congo Lum-  
ber and Mining Company has been  
organized to finance the concession.  
It has a capital of 3,500 shares, half  
of which shall be taken by the Amer-  
ican syndicate. The other half stays  
in the hands of Belgian capitalists,  
who have already begun developing  
the country. The syndicate paid  
\$150,000 down and it is pledged to  
bring the total payment for its half  
of the concession up to \$5,000,000.  
The grant covers an area of 7,500,000  
acres. Besides mining rights, the  
syndicate has a grant of about 747,000  
acres of forest land and the right  
to harvest a rubber-producing plant  
said to be like the Mexican guggul  
over an area of 2,470,000 acres. The  
syndicate holds the patent rights for  
extracting rubber from the plant.  
The concession for the use of its  
proceeds involves an agreement to  
re-plant fifty feet of the plant for  
every 200 pounds of rubber extracted.  
Besides the concession of 2,470,000  
acres, the syndicate has secured rights  
to 120,000 acres on each bank of nav-  
igable streams and a ten-year option  
in 1,000,000 additional acres.

## REVOLUTION IS CRUSHED

Czar's Policy Quite Successful  
in Poland.

Victims of the Military Have  
Numbered Into the  
Thousands.

WARSAW, Dec. 16.—Reports from  
points throughout Russian Poland show  
that the government's policy of arm-  
ing has been successful in crushing  
the last of the smoldering sparks of  
revolution. This result was accomplish-  
ed at a terrible cost to the Polish pop-  
le, the number of victims being esti-  
mated at thousands. Business has be-  
come stagnant, the trades and indus-  
tries are bankrupt and the masses are  
depressed and in a state of poverty.  
Reports today from Constantinople,  
which is a typical Polish town, show  
that seven or eight hundred persons  
have been tried by martial law courts  
and executed in the last two days.  
In the early part of the week five  
hundred persons were convicted and shot  
dead, three at Stetow, two at Maszow  
and one at Lomza. These executions  
have been going on so constantly  
throughout Poland generally that it  
has become almost superfluous to re-  
peat the daily chronicle of military ex-  
ecutions. Altogether, despite the dark-  
ness of the present martial conditions,  
the situation has been somewhat re-  
lieved by new evidence of the indomitable  
spirit of the Polish people asserting it-  
self.

## ROME MOB CHEERS FRANCE

Thousands Gather in Demon-  
stration Against the Vatican  
and for the Republic.

## CLERICALISM DENOUNCED BY AN OFFICIAL

Italian Government Is Friendly  
to France But Tries to Break  
Up Mob, So As Not to Take  
Sides in the Dispute.

ROME, Dec. 16.—Thousands of demon-  
strators friendly to France and of  
anti-vatican tendencies tonight gath-  
ered in the plaza adjoining the Farnese  
palace, the seat of the French em-  
bassy, in an endeavor to express their  
pleasure at France's action toward the  
church.

The whole garrison of Rome was  
employed to disperse the demonstrators  
and protect the Vatican, which is sur-  
rounded by cavalry, and the bridges  
to the apostolic palace are barricaded  
with troops. All streets leading to the  
palace are protected by soldiers with  
fixed bayonets.

The demonstrators, led by a dozen  
radical socialists and Republican mem-  
bers of the chamber of deputies, in-  
cluding Prince Berghese, after vainly  
attempting to break the cordon, pro-  
ceeded themselves with candles and  
formed into a mock procession, inton-  
ing the Marseillaise, as an indication  
of the death of clericalism amid cries  
of "Long live France," "Long live  
Hemmon," and "Down with the vati-  
can."

Deputies Costa and La Folie tried  
to harangue the people, but the police  
interfered.

The demonstration occurred near the  
monument to Giordano Bruno, the  
monk philosopher, who was burned  
alive, a victim of religious intolerance.  
Deputy Costa finally made himself  
heard. He said: "Before this monu-  
ment to Bruno, of free thought, let us  
send our applause to France for this  
great people continuing the traditional  
struggle against the multi-colored  
clericalism."

Fresh attempts were then made to  
break the cordon and the cavalry  
charged the demonstration, a few of  
whom were slightly injured and sev-  
eral arrested. Amid roars and shouts  
the singing of the Marseillaise, the  
demonstration continued until late in the  
evening. A committee of the demon-  
strators was headed by Mr. Barzani, the  
French ambassador, who expressed his  
sympathy and sympathy for the  
French people. The stand that the gov-  
ernment is taking is that although  
Italy is friendly to France, she does  
not wish to take sides in the dispute  
and especially when her relations with  
the church are better now than they  
have been since 1870.

## FRIGHTENED THE SULTAN

Mutiny of Marines Within Con-  
stantinople.

Assurances of Pay and Release  
From Service Quiet  
the Men.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 16.—A  
serious disturbance occurred here to-  
day. Several hundred time-ex-  
pired marines from the naval arsenal,  
made a mutinous demonstration in an  
old abandoned cemetery behind the  
American embassy, demanding their  
pay and their discharge from the  
army. A number of naval  
officers unsuccessfully endeavored to  
appease the men, but were stoned and  
otherwise maltreated. A number of  
personal encounters resulted and one  
officer, drawing his sword, wounded  
Ahmed Pasha and an aide-de-camp in  
the naval ministry were rather badly  
injured. After the demonstration had  
lasted three hours, an officer of the  
Kiosk arrived on the scene with the  
promise that the men's demands would  
be granted, whereupon the mob  
quickly dispersed, and returned to  
quarters.

During the demonstration the pub-  
lic held aloof and neither the police nor  
the military interfered. During the in-  
terval there was much agitation at  
the Yildiz Kiosk. The sultan who was  
greatly disturbed, repeatedly issued  
fresh instructions to his ministers.

Such mutinies have been frequent  
in the provinces, but disorders have  
hitherto been seldom seen in the cap-  
ital.

## America's Kiss Consolation.

ROME, Dec. 16.—The pope today re-  
ceived in private audience Mrs. Ben-  
edict Lamont and her daughters. They  
were presented by Monsignor Kennedy,  
rector of the American college. To  
them the pope exclaimed: "My great  
consolation now comes from Amer-  
ica."

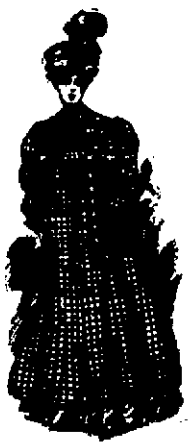


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**\$9.85** today for \$18.00 and \$20.00 tourist coats. Not old styles, but this year's latest models. No doubt you have all heard the story of how Russel Sage bought his winter overcoats in summer and his straw hats in winter. Take the tip. It is not too late to buy now. Remember there is another season coming with really no radical changes in this year's styles.

At **\$11.45**—Perhaps you are one of those people who didn't care for the decided plaids and large patterns of this year's coats. So to reach the fancy of all our patrons we have made a cut on a small number of tan broadcloth coats; all satin lined with velvet collar and braid trimmings. Regularly sold as high as \$25.00. But for today's selling they are yours at \$11.45. Remember just a few, so don't be tardy.

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**\$20.00 For Evening Coats Values to \$65.00**

At this time of the year an evening coat would be a most acceptable holiday gift and when you can get them at a Gottschalk price this is the time to buy. For today we have placed on sale two lots. This first lot consists of but six coats; all broadcloth; satin lined and handsomely trimmed with hand embroidery and Persian applique. There is one white, one grey, one blue, two heliotrope and one watermelon pink. Values up to \$50. On sale today at **\$15.00**.

This second lot includes but three coats. They are all of the finest grade of white imported French broadcloth, beautifully lined throughout with satin and trimmed in handsome open work embroidery and Persian appliques. These coats regularly sold as high as \$65.00, but today they are yours at \$20.00. These would make a present of lasting value and would be more appreciated through their usefulness than most anything else you can give.



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## FOREIGNERS ARE BARRED

Canal Contractors Must Be Americans.

Important Decision and Other Terms of Contract Are Announced.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Foreign contractors are to be barred from competition for the completion of the Panama canal. Chairman Shonts, of the isthmian canal today made this announcement. Many conditions have been agreed to in the form of the contract, but the most important is the limiting of proposals to American firms. The right will be reserved by the commission to reject all bids. The competition will then either throw the competition open to foreign bidders or proceed with the work without contract. January 12th is the date set for opening proposals.

A substantial reduction in the bond of the successful bidder was also made by the commission. It will be only \$2,000,000 and the total liability of the contractor is to be limited to the loss of percentage of premiums otherwise payable to the contractor and \$3,000,000 in addition. Chairman Shonts indicated other changes as follows:

To relieve the contractor from responsibility for the use of defective materials, providing he has requested the chief engineer in writing for the definite approval of the materials. To provide for a later change in the estimated cost and time of construction, as originally agreed to by the engineering committee, in case the plans and specifications for the construction of the canal shall be materially altered in any respect; or if it shall be made to appear to the president that the estimates are based on physical data as erroneous as to materially affect the estimated cost and time of construction; or for any other material reason for which the contractor is not responsible.

It was also provided that in case the government should decide to terminate the contract when the contractor is not in default, the contractor shall be paid the cost of the work performed by him to date, and \$250,000 in addition to such percentage as may have been earned up to that time. The responsibility of the contractor to the commission for all injuries or damage inflicted upon the plant, canal or its auxiliary works, is limited to negligence of himself, or any of his employees, or sub-contractors or the employees of such sub-contractors.

## FREE-FOR-ALL FIGHT BY NEGRO CONVICTS

One Succeeded in Disarming Ring-leader and Will Be Freed By Governor Vardaman.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 15.—As a result of a free for all fight covering a desperate attempt on the part of the negro convicts to escape from the Oakley convict farm, about twenty miles southwest of here, today, Captain J. N. Buckley, in charge of the camp, sustained a seven inch gash across the chest and Sergeant John Dodd's left arm was broken.

The fight began in the hospital, where Ben Cooper, a long term negro convict, attacked another negro, Charles Prince, with a razor. The attack on Prince was the signal for a general fight, and when Sergeant Dodd entered the room, he was beaten with clubs, iron bars and other weapons. Captain Buckley attempted to quell the disturbance and was attacked by Cooper, who attempted to cut his throat, and was only prevented by Hezekiah Pluney, another convict, knocking the weapon down. Pluney then grappled with Cooper and disarmed him. When the other negroes saw Pluney take the razor from Cooper they quieted down.

Governor Vardaman hastened to Oakley on a special train, accompanied by members of the board of control. When they reached Oakley, quiet had been restored. Governor Vardaman brought Pluney back to Jackson and will pardon him for disarming Cooper.

## LITTLE CHANGE IN FRENCH CHURCH CRISIS

Some Disorder Has Occurred in the Provinces, But None in Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Dispatches received up to a late hour tonight from the provinces show the church situation about the same. The clergyman at all points are being summoned for breaking the law of 1887. Many declarations have been filed. Almost all of the bishops' palaces and seminaries have been vacated.

Only a few incidents out of the ordinary are reported. At Leaven, a commissary of police was stoned and finally had to draw his revolver to protect himself.

At Bordeaux a single declaration has been filed.

## RECIPROCAL DEMURRAGE SHOULD BE CHARGED

Measures to Be Taken to Prevent Railway Car Shortage in the Future.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 13.—Money is being raised by the Oregon and Washington lumber manufacturers' association to insure effective legislation by the Oregon legislature to guarantee against a repetition of the car shortage which now exists. The members of the association are unanimously in favor of a reciprocal demurrage law, and there is strong sentiment for a railroad commission.

## Shah's Condition Unchanged.

TEHRAN, Dec. 16, 6:43 p. m.—The condition of the shah is unchanged. "Ah Mirza, heir apparent to the throne, arrived in Teheran at 3 o'clock this afternoon. He was met outside the city of Teheran by the Persian war minister, Nakh Es Saltanah, a brother of the shah, who welcomed him, and together they drove to the palace, where they now are with the shah.

## VICTORIA WOMAN CLAIMS CHINA'S THRONE

Petitions British Government to Take Up Her Right of Succession.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 15.—A Victoria woman, a Manchurian woman, married to an Englishman who was an officer of Gordon's army which suppressed the Taping rebellion, has made a claim to the throne of China.

The lady, unwilling to make public her name lest relatives be assassinated at Peking, has addressed petitions to the British government asking that her claim be taken up with China. She claims to be a direct lineal descendant of the third duke of Chou, and as such has a right to the throne of China, prior to that of the empress dowager.

With her husband and family, she has been living here for twenty-one years, since they came from Peking, where a younger brother, who she says, is next in line to herself to China's throne, is residing.

## STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Fair to Be Improved and the Work of the Society Enlarged.

(By J. A. Fitcher.)

Whatever the shortcomings of the California State Agricultural Society in the past, the present management is keenly alive to the importance of extending its usefulness and building it up into a strong instrumentality for the promotion of these interests for which it was created.

It is the purpose of the society to improve the fair by making them as thoroughly representative as possible of all the industries of the state in all parts of the state. The gambling features and drinking features and other practices that were so strenuously objected to, and which it was claimed were ruining the fairs, have been eliminated and there is no longer any reason why the best people everywhere of all classes and callings should not lend their influence and their patronage in helping to make the state fairs, as they ought to be, the greatest annual event in California.

But, as great as the fairs may be, or may be made, the holding of them is only one of the duties of the State Agricultural Society. There are other things it ought to do and other things the present management proposes to do by way of extending the influence of the institution and increasing its value to the people of the state. It is going to try and have correspondents in every community and keep in touch with the progress and industrial conditions of all parts of the state. It wants not only the acreage in the different localities of the various farm, orchard and garden products, but it wants to know of their condition and be advised of the yield that may be expected at harvest time, and after harvest it wants to know exactly what the yield was. It wants to be advised of the number of dairies and their average clip; the number of sheep and their average clip; the number of horses, cattle and hogs and the efforts being made to improve them, and the result of such efforts. It wants to know the number of sawmills in the state, the amount of lumber they cut, and the timber available for them to cut; the number of manufacturing in all lines, what they are making and with what success they are operating. It desires also the names and locations of the active mines, and the mining conditions and opportunities in different localities. In short, it is going to strive to be, as it should be, the fountainhead of information on all industrial subjects.

These are some of the things the society does in the field of opportunity that spreads out before it, and the purpose of the present management is to cover this field as completely as possible with the limited means and force available. There are other things that might be suggested as worth doing, and still others will suggest themselves by the state's growing wants, but it is believed to be better for the present to keep within the bounds of possibility than to risk all by attempting too much.

There is a wise law on the statute books enacted by the last legislature, which, if carried out, will assist materially in this work. It provides that the supervisors of the respective counties, on or before a certain day of each year, shall supply the secretary of the State Agricultural Society upon blanks to be furnished by him for that purpose, statistics showing the products grown, produced or manufactured in their several counties for the year preceding, and the expense thereof shall be a county charge, to be paid as other county charges are paid. Last year some of the boards of supervisors neglected to appoint the necessary statisticians to secure this data. The year extra effort has been made to have all the counties respond, but we are advised that in a few instances no one has been appointed to collect the required statistics. Happily, there are only a few such cases, and it is hoped that by constant pressure all supervisors will soon come to see the importance of the work and promptly perform their part of it. When this data is forthcoming from all the counties, the material will be available for an annual report of exceptional value. In the meantime, a world of inestimable value can be obtained of correspondents, and to obtain these correspondents, at least one in each political township of the state, or each ward in the larger cities, in the work now engaging the society and in this work it desires the help of editors, county and city officers and other leading citizens of the different communities of California who may be addressed on the subject.

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Mr. Neu has made a number of very striking changes and alterations in his beautiful Music Store, which is unquestionably the handsomest in the San Joaquin valley; and introduced some new features which will add greatly to the comfort and facility for doing business in his establishment. He has installed new rooms fitted with record racks and Talking Machines, which are delightfully arranged and made most attractive. In these rooms are carried a complete stock of records, and "Zonophones," forming a complete range of instruments and records. These rooms are situated in a gallery and approached by a neat stairway, and besides the other attractions, the would-be purchaser soon realizes that, not only are the surroundings pretty, but the prices are also cheaper than ever.

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Mr. Neu's stock of Organs is also unequalled, and prices now being quoted were never so low.

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## STOCKTON UNEXPECTEDLY DEFEATS SAN JOSE TEAM

Game Won By Spike Shannon of New York, the Center Fielder.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16.—The match game between the Stockton and San Jose state league teams, each strengthened by several players of national reputation, was played before a crowd of over 4000 people this afternoon, and was won by Stockton in the eighth inning. The score was 5 to 4, and the game was full of excitement after the fourth inning.

"Spike" Shannon, of New York, center fielder for the Stockton nine, practically won the game. San Jose had made three runs in the first inning, and another in the fourth. Shannon's three-bagger in the fourth, upon which he later scored, gave Stockton the first rally. In the fifth Sheridan scored a double and later scored. In the sixth Chance secured a double, which netted two runs, tying the score.

In the eighth Shannon was walked by Stricklett. Graham threw low to Hal Chase, who missed, and Shannon was advanced to third after Graham allowed a passed ball. Shannon was caught between the third and home, but escaped by clever base running. The bases were full when Sheridan bunted and Shannon scored. The unexpected victory of Stockton over San Jose's early lead developed an enthusiasm seldom equalled at a ball game in this city. Score:

Stockton ..... 5  
San Jose ..... 4  
Batteries: Hieldel and Donlan; Stricklett and Graham. Umpire, Sheridan.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—George Walters, an old time actor, at one time well known in this country and Europe, died here today, aged 78 years. He was born in Gloucester, England. Walters, earlier in his career, was leading man at the Theatre Royal in Edinburgh, and was associated with the late Sir Henry Irving.

## Fighting in Ecuador.

GUAYACIL, Dec. 16.—Custod Sorzano has informed the government that he attacked the rebels and won a splendid victory. After fighting at Pasaje, the government forces marched to attack the rebels at Santa Rosa. No details of a fight at the latter place have been received.

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## SNOW FALLS HEAVILY AND EL PASO HAS A SHORTAGE OF FUEL

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 15.—Snow began falling here at dark tonight and has continued at intervals since, with no prospect of clearing weather. Should the fall be sufficient to interfere with railroad traffic, there will be a fuel famine in this section. The now north of this city is reported falling much more heavily than here. The temperature is dropping and much suffering for lack of fuel is apprehended.

## DISMISSED NEGRO REFUSED ENLISTMENT IN UNITED STATES NAVY

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Dec. 15.—Upon receipt of telegrams from Washington advising that a negro applicant at the United States naval recruiting station here was a member of the Twenty-fifth United States infantry, discharged for participation in the Brownsville, Texas, riots, Lieutenant Cole today refused to accept the negro's application for enlistment in the United States navy. The negro, whose name is withheld by the officer, at first claimed to have served in another regiment of the army.

## Oscar Passes Quiet Day.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 16.—A bulletin issued at 11 o'clock this morning says: "King Oscar slept about five hours, but his rest was somewhat disturbed. His temperature and the condition of his lungs are unchanged. His heart action is somewhat irregular." The bulletin issued this evening was as follows: "The king passed a quiet day. He slept four hours. His temperature is 99.8. The action of the heart is unchanged. The catarrh of the trachea is diminished."

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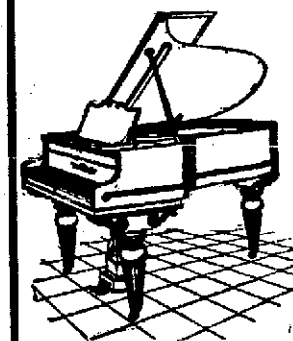
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## WHAT THE Y.M.C.A. HOPES TO DO

Possibilities in Fresno Indicated By What Has Been Accomplished in Los Angeles.

The Young Men's Christian association of this city contemplates in the near future a campaign to secure a building which shall be suitable for its work, not only now but ten, twenty, thirty or fifty years hence.

The Fresno association was organized only two years and a half ago, but it has already demonstrated that there is a place for such an organization in this city. The present membership of the association is 350. Of these a large part are business women who avail themselves of the various privileges of the organization. About seventy meals are served every day, eighty girls take work in the evening classes and fifty in Bible study, and the association has the social life of the association one of its most enjoyable features.

What the association may ultimately mean in the life of the young women of Fresno is hard fully to realize, but one is certainly materially aided in such a realization by the consideration of what has been accomplished by the Los Angeles Young Women's Christian association, which is the largest in the world. Organized only thirteen years ago, when the population of Los Angeles was not far below what Fresno is today, this Young Women's Christian association has grown to a membership of over four thousand young women. The very size of the membership speaks volumes for the efficiency of the work, for no organization grows to such proportions which fails to meet real needs.

One of the things that this association has always done is to provide a comfortable place where business women can secure a good noon meal at a reasonable price. Appreciation of this department is proclaimed by the fact that the average daily attendance last year was eleven hundred and fifty. The girls coming here have not only the dining room privileges but also the use of the rest rooms provided with couches and easy chairs. For the members is fitted up a most attractive reading room containing all the best periodicals and a library of over 1500 volumes.

The association stands, too, to many of the young women of Los Angeles in lieu of a college. Indeed the enrollment in the educational classes of this association out numbers the enrollment of women in any of the colleges or universities in America, being last year 1659. The course of study, too, is as comprehensive as that of many colleges. Physical education, domestic science and domestic art are among the most popular subjects taught. Gymnasium work, cooking, plain sewing, dress-making and millinery come under these departments and hundreds of girls are taking work in these classes. In the millinery classes alone nearly 300 were enrolled last year. Under the department of English there are courses in the elementary branches, reading, spelling, grammar, etc., especially designed for foreign speaking girls, courses in composition, literature, penmanship, law, book reviews, elocution, voice training, current events and travel. In music there is offered instruction on piano, violin, guitar and mandolin, beside an orchestra and choral club. In the art department there are courses in drawing, painting, charcoal pastel and water colors. German, French and Spanish are among the languages taught while in the commercial stenography, typewriting, book-

## CHITNUKA OBSERVED, THE HARVEST FEAST

Hebrew Sabbath School Children Held Exercises in Kohler Hall Yesterday.

Yesterday the children of the Jewish Sabbath school celebrated "Chitnuka," or the Harvest Feast by appropriate exercises at Kohler hall. An excellent program was rendered, after which the children were presented with presents and refreshments. Much credit is due to the Jewish Women's Aid society for the advancement made by the children. The following committee had charge of the affair: Mrs. A. Newman, Mrs. L. Davis, Mrs. L. S. Stock, Mrs. Herman Levy and Mrs. S. Feiser.

The program rendered was as follows:

"Twenty-third Psalm, Edward Gundelinger.  
"Little Flo's Letter," Beatrice Koplan.  
Song, "The Brave Soldier," Geoffrey Davis.  
"Father, I Thank Thee," Helen Radin, Lorraine Levy, Gertrude Solomon and Lucile Koplan.  
Violin Solo, "Violin Solo," Koplan.  
"Forget-me-not," Viola Kamp.  
Mandolin Solo, Jessie Epstein.  
"How Sleep the Brave," Lillian Radin.  
"In Dear Old Georgia," Vernon Solomon.  
"I am a California Child," Leland Solomon.  
Violin Solo, Norman Davis, accompanist, Geoffrey Davis.  
Judas Maccabees, Vernon Stock, Benjamin Levy and Maurice Koplan.  
Chorus, "The Brave Soldier," Koplan.  
Song, "Ben Applefield."  
Maxims, Harold Kamp.

**Novelty Theater.**  
Beginning tonight, the new vaudeville bill at the Novelty for the week will include West and Miss Van Stien in their novel musical comedy, "Fun in a College Gymnasium," Hastings and Wilson, eccentric comedians; Billy McElroy in vaudeville and stories; Merrill Traversy Co. in "The Arrival of Jefferys." Two reels of new moving pictures. Matinee daily at 2:30 (excepting Monday.) Admission 10 cents, children 5 cents. Every night 10 and 20 cents.

**Longworths Are Shaken.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Representative and Mrs. Longworth were occupants of an automobile which rushed into the station platform at Chevy Chase, a suburb today. Beyond a severe shaking up, the occupants were uninjured. The machine was slightly damaged.

**French Cabinet Retains Majority.**  
PARIS, Dec. 16.—The chamber of deputies was in extraordinary session the whole day, and by a large majority passed the budget. The chamber will meet again on Thursday.

**Freeman's special families and enchiladas.** 943 J.

## AMERICANS SHOULD GET TRADE IN CHINA

F. E. McGarvin Writes to Friend in Fresno of Advantages Across Pacific.

F. E. McGarvin, a young man formerly resident in this city and now a commercial traveler in China, has written to a friend, Ray Baker, of Fresno, something of the commercial conditions among the people he meets. He urges an increase of American trade in the Celestial empire. A recent letter reads in part as follows:

"I write a few lines to let you know that I am in good health and working hard. The country is something changed from what it used to be. In fact, China is fast awakening from the old into new ideas of foreign invention. In many places, steam and electricity have taken the place of man power. It is common now to see wheels turning where but a few months ago treadmills were working. I had occasion to go to a tinshop a few days ago to have some small tin boxes made. They could fill my order by hand in twenty days, so I suggested that they have a form made to press them with one blow of a hammer. They told me 'foreign man can do; Chinaman no can.'"

"The Chinese are very dull and slow to learn and require a great deal of driving. But if one can show them a new idea, without their having to invent to learn, they will adopt the new. If American firms would send out a man to go among the people, showing working samples and appoint agents for the goods, America would have twice or three times the export trade it now has in China. 'China is a long way behind the times, but one can see, almost daily, some scholar, who, has returned from schools abroad, preaching to his people about the men with such advanced ideas, and the wonderful things he saw working—trying to get his people to leave their old traditions and adopt the new. It is time now for Americans to step in and be the first ones to take such an advantage to introduce their goods.'"

"My principal cities in China for years in the United States, advertising their business in Chinese, distributing samples and taking orders. This is the only way to introduce things, and we are the only ones in China selling direct to the users."

## ALL SANTA FE TRAINS SOUTHBOUND DELAYED

All southbound trains on the Santa Fe were delayed several hours yesterday by a freight wreck, which occurred on a curve between Pinal and Dupont, a few miles south of San Francisco. The train was in charge of Conductor Davis and it was reported that six oil cars jumped the track. Both number 4 and number 6 which arrive here shortly after 3 o'clock in the afternoon did not arrive until between 9:30 and 10 last evening.

Baker's 974  
For coughs and colds, at Baker & Co., 1012.

## LEMOORE NEWS NOTES

Week's Budget of Happenings in That Thriving Town.

**LEMOORE, Dec. 16.**—The big traction engine belonging to D. S. Cohen which has stood in six feet of water in Tulare lake ever since the high water last spring, has been taken out and landed in a place of safety. It took six weeks of hard work to accomplish the work and the machine had to be taken apart and loaded on a barge, which was towed to shore by a gasoline launch.

Ralph Walker, son of City Attorney Walker, is still confined to his bed with malarial fever. Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Rev. D. C. Williams, pastor of the Methodist Church of this place, and Miss Ruby Lobb of Lemoore, which event will take place on the evening of January 1, 1907, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Lobb in this city.

A. U. Pugh of Fresno has purchased a half interest in the undertaking parlors of J. W. Denton in Lemoore and will have charge of the business here, while Mr. Denton and family will move to Hanford to reside, he being elected coroner of Kings county and will establish an undertaking parlor in the county seat.

The "Skiddoo" Club of Lemoore gave a dance in the opera house Friday evening and a large crowd was in attendance. Supper was served by the club girls and everybody had a good time.

Articles of incorporation will be filed in a few days by the Lemoore Ice and Power plant for the establishment of buildings and necessary machinery used in the manufacture of ice, the capital stock of the company being \$25,000. The enterprise is headed by H. C. Watson, city electrician, and he has succeeded in getting a number of our citizens interested in the enterprise and work on the buildings will commence in a few weeks, the location of the plant being on the Southern Pacific reservation, near the Coe warehouse.

Samuel J. McCorkle and Miss Annie McLaughlin were united in marriage last Sunday evening at the bride's parents' home east of town. The young couple received many useful and handsome presents and after Rev. D. C. Williams pronounced the words that made them man and wife the large crowd that came to a wedding dinner, the tables being beautifully decorated with violets and carnations. Miss McLaughlin is the daughter of Supervisor Steve S. McLaughlin from this district, and the groom holds the position of manager of the Rochdale store at Dinuba.

Many members of Welcome Lodge F. and A. M. of Lemoore visited the Porterville lodge on the occasion of J. H. Lesley and his four sons being made Master Masons.

A. Vitale has the contract for the erection of a \$1800 residence on the Dingley tract for D. R. Blanchard.

Mrs. C. O. Crowder is confined to her bed with sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Roderick Dallas of Coalinga have been spending a few days in Lemoore.

Miss Pearl McClosky, teacher in the public school, who has been on the sick list, has resumed her duties in the grammar school.

The W. O. W. band will give a "Hard Times" masquerade ball in the opera house on the evening of December 31st.

A. B. Cesena has completed his contract of building the levee on the Empire ranch. The levee is five miles long, thirty-five feet wide at the bottom and eight feet thick at the top.

## FOREST RESERVES GROW

There has been a large increase in the forest reserves of the United States in the last fiscal year, according to the report of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson. In that time the reserves were increased from \$5,003,422 to 100,509,138 acres, from which the revenues realized were \$767,219.96, an increase of more than \$700,000. This large increase, it is stated, is due to the heavy sales of lumber.

The supply of available timber on the ground is so great, in proportion to the demand, the report says, that it seems almost needless for caution in its use. The present amount of timber standing is estimated to be not less than 300,000,000 in board feet, which represents only the supply from matured forests.

The reserves are in the heart of the Western timber lands, and do not withhold land from agricultural uses. They constitute for the most part the rugged and mountainous parts of the great West and include only land unsuitable for the farmer and stockman.

A system of patrol has been instituted in the reserves for the discovery of fires. During the year 1906, but eight forest fires were reported, none of which damaged the timber to any appreciable extent. Fires in 1906 caused even less damage than those of the preceding year.—Washington Post.

## CASTORIA

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## "STRONG MAN"

### AMBASSADOR

Suggested as Successor to Sir Mortimer Durand to Diplomatic Post at Washington.

Though his hand was never tried at diplomacy, Lord Desborough, still known as "Willie" Grenfell, "the strong man of Toplow," is the most talked-about man in England as the successor of Sir Mortimer Durand in the British embassy at Washington.

"How famously he would get on with Roosevelt" is heard whenever the prospective appointment is discussed.

Lady Desborough, who before her marriage was known as "the beautiful Miss Fane," is one of the most intellectual members of the world of fashion, and would be a charming addition to the Washington society. Their beautiful home, Tapley Court, on the Thames, is a favorite "week-end" resort of King Edward, and bears the distinction of housing more newly-wedded couples than any place in England. "Honey-moon Hall" is its nickname.

Though he came from a family of bankers and has been a director and a governor of the Bank of England, Lord Desborough, who was made a baron last December, is famous as a sportsman and has had an interesting political career. He is fifty-one years old, and has been in parliament several terms. Once he resigned his seat when Gladstone was prime minister, because he could not agree with the government's position on some phases of the home rule question.

He is a pronounced biometalist and a tariff reformer, a writer, patron of all sorts of athletics, principally rowing, and a cricketer. Elected hunter of big game and fisherman, he has shot in India, Africa and the Rockies, rowed across the English Channel and swam the Niagara river, and as a host is voted the "best fellow in all England."

For several years he was the amateur putting champion of the Thames, and the Oxford crew always does its final training at his home on the river. Last summer he entertained the Harvard crew when they visited England. In his college days he rowed on the river, and he played on the eleven there, as well as at Harrow, where he was prepared.

When he could get to the Sudan campaign in no other way, he went as correspondent of the London Daily News. His whole life has been one of activity and adventure in fields wide apart, and yet in society and at his own home he is the ideal of the best type of English gentleman. He is good natured, handsome, athletic and a tremendous favorite everywhere.

He has been high sheriff of his county, mayor of Maidenhead, his town, and master of the hounds.

His versatility may be judged by the wide range of his writings, which include articles on the Rocky mountains, rowing, the house of lords and biometalism.

He is wealthy, and his place, Tapley Court, is near Windsor Castle and adjoins the estate of William Waldorf Astor.

As far back as the days of King Harold, last of the Saxon kings, Tapley Court was the site of a nobleman's seat. The place is rich in historic associations. It served as the prison of Elizabeth during the reign of her sister, "Bloody Mary," and in the park is a flourishing oak which was planted by Queen Elizabeth's own hands. The house has been constructed from the old manor which was built in the sixteenth century. New York World.

## KINGSBURG PARAGRAPHS.

The local I. O. F. have elected for the ensuing year: C. R. L. Wilton; V. C. R. D. Reed; R. S. A. B. Loomis; F. S. A. L. Peterson; treasurer, C. A. Johnson; S. W. H. Tapp; J. W. C. J. Nelson; S. B. Herbert Nelson; J. B. A. W. Wikman; C. D. W. M. Peterson.

Mrs. C. M. Lee, of Berkeley, is here on a visit with relatives.

J. F. Forney and A. T. Lindgren sent some thoroughbred chickens to the show at Fresno.

Fred G. Anderson and E. H. Barcroft attended the citrus fair at Porterville.

Al C. Loomis and family visited relatives in Clovis last week.

Asel Johnson is preparing to move to Fresno, where he will take up his duties as deputy tax collector about January 1st.

J. F. Forney is spending this week in Fresno attending the poultry show.

Henry Peterson returned last evening from a two months' stay in Oakland.

Kingsburg, December 14, 1906.

## Grocery Specials For Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

You'll be able to give more Christmas presents this year if you buy Graff's grocery specials.

**CHRISTMAS CANDLES,** 1 box 25c  
10-24-36-48 candles to the box.  
**MIXED NUTS,** 2 lbs. 25c  
These will keep and the price is low.  
**PLUM PUDDING,** Amores, 1 lb. can 25c  
Everybody likes plum pudding at the Christmas dinner.  
**ORANGES, NAVELS,** dozen 20c  
Fully ripe and sweet.  
**CONDENSED MINCE MEAT,** 3 pks. 25c  
Amores, and none such.  
**POULTRY SEASONING,** can 15c and 25c  
Contains everything for the dressing.  
**PASTRY SPICE,** can 25c  
**HEINZ'S MINCE MEAT,** 4-1/2 lb. stone crock 75c  
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## Christmas Gifts

are easily found in our store. Our departments are overflowing with useful and appreciated gifts.

A visit to our store will be of interest to you and save Christmas shoppers many footsteps.

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for sale by the Fresno Irrigated Farms Company, in subdivisions of any size, in its famous tract at Kerman, Cal.

Each lot, or subdivision, is well located, having access to a good road, good telephone service, free rural mail delivery, and easy distance from the live, growing town of Kerman.

All these lands are perfectly level, good natural drainage, and under the best irrigation system in the state with an abundant supply of water which costs only 62 1/2 c per acre per year. One of these first-class water rights deeded with each subdivision of land.

Buy the virgin soil, plant your own trees, vines and alfalfa, and derive for yourself the increase of developed land, along with the first and best wear out of it.

Land values always grow, and none grow faster than these assisted by development. The California Stock Food Co. is preparing to establish a large alfalfa meal mill at Kerman which will insure an extra good price to the producer of alfalfa hay.

The California Traction Co. is now securing rights of way for its electric railway from Fresno to Kerman and when this road is completed the fact is assured that the values of property will advance to no little extent in lands about Kerman.

Other important enterprises are soon to be established. Your choice of any of this land at \$75.00 per acre. Those buying now are getting the advantage of the choice locations.

## The Fresno Irrigated Farms Co.

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Concrete Hollow Block and Reinforced Concrete Buildings outclass in point of architectural beauty, strength and comfort all other class of buildings. Considering their remarkable durability, freedom from decay and their fire proof qualities they are the cheapest. When you build ask your architect for plans for these class of buildings—it means beauty and comfort for residences and economy and safety for business buildings.

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KEEP YOUR EYE ON NEW ELECTRIC LINE. THE SUBWAY UNDER THE S. P. R. RESERVATION ON FRES. NO STREET IS NOW BEING BUILT.

Do you want to make money and at the same time improve and make you a suburban home near the city. Now is your opportunity to purchase 5 or 10 acres in the Weite Home tract. No better land in county. This land is bound to double in value soon. Fresno is bound to be a big city. The Subway, when completed, means money for everybody. So KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE NEW EXTENSION. WOY & MADSEN NEW ACRE TRACT is now surveyed and platted, streets and alleys will be graded soon. Remember this tract contains 20 1-acre lots and adjoins the city limits, and facing on Tehama, El Dorado, Shasta and White Bridge avenues. Don't miss this opportunity, a chance to make money and own your own home. Don't delay a day, but let us show you this property. Lands right, location right, terms right, price right, 1-4 cash, balance in 1, 2, 3 and 4 years.

Woy & Madsen 1138 J Street. WE SELL THE EARTH.

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As my lease will expire in a few weeks I have decided to close out and sell all stock of Liquors, Whiskies, Wines, Cigars, etc., at cost to the public.

Here are some quotations:

	Per Gal.
Best Sonoma Claret	45
Sherry XXX	80
Sherry XXX	1.20
Port, X	45
Port, XX	60
Port, XXX	1.50
Ausencia, XX	60
Angelica, XXX	1.50
Tokay, XXX	1.20
Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey, X	1.20
Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey, XX	1.60
Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey, XXX	2.00
Union Label Rye	2.50
Hermiteau Bourbon Whiskey	3.20
Old Crow Bourbon Whiskey	3.40
Guckenhimer Rye	3.50
Holland Gin, No. 1	2.25
Holland Gin, No. 2	2.50
Cal. Grape Brandy, No. 3	1.80
Cal. Grape Brandy, No. 2	2.25
Cal. Grape Brandy, No. 1	2.90
White Rye, No. 1	2.25

	Per Qt. Bot.
Guckenhimer Rye Whiskey	90
Old Crow Whiskey	90
Hermiteau Whiskey	90
Louis & Clark Rye Whiskey	80
Del Monte Whiskey	75
Union Label Whiskey	70
Golden Crest Whiskey	65
D. C. L. Highland Club Scotch Whiskey	95
Crytallized Rock and Rye	50
Cherries an Marasquin	50
Tennessee Peach Brandy	60
Blackberry Brandy	50
Apriect Brandy	75
California Brandy	80
Holland Gin	1.25
Old Tea Gin	80

	Per Qt. Bot.
Zinfandel, Old	25
Sherry, Old	20
Sherry, Superior	35
Port, Old	20
Port, Superior	35
Angelica, Old	20
Angelica, Superior	35
Tokay, Superior	35
Hessling, Superior	30
Mascat, Old	20

	Per Bottle
Reisinger, Souvenir	40
Sauterne, Superior	50
Haut Sauterne, Souvenir	70
Chateau Yquem, Souvenir	45
Sparkling Cressa Blanche	35
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## THE FRESNO MORNING REPUBLICAN

## WEATHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Forecast: San Joaquin valley—Fair Monday; continued cold, light north wind.

Temperature, dry bulb..... 45  
Temperature, wet bulb..... 45  
Humidity..... .02  
Wind (west) miles per hour..... 4  
Maximum Temperature..... 45  
Minimum Temperature..... 41  
Rainfall for season..... 2.00  
Fair Monday, with fog.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

New lot  
Illustrations  
At Hollands.

Mrs. M. Shimmings, the florist.  
For Sale—Four feet first-class water rights. P. O. Box 1295.

My glasses are reasonable in price. Dr. Keams, 2300 Mariposa street.

Hughes Hotel. Regular dinner, 75 cents, served in American play dining room.

You'll be pleased with Fisher-Glassford's carving sets. They're good quality.

Wells Fargo & Co. will make no wagon call for packages from Dec. 18th to 26th, inclusive.

Mrs. Stump wishes to announce to her friends and general public that she has purchased the Hughes Block. Nicely furnished suites and single rooms.

Christmas donations for the children of the County Orphanage will please be left at the residence of Mrs. C. J. Gray, 535 O street, or Mrs. Lee Gray, J street, on or before December 21st.

Edwin Norris, the 13-year-old runaway from Los Angeles, who was picked up by officers at the Southern Pacific depot a few nights ago, will be sent to his home in Los Angeles today. His father has been notified and has made the necessary arrangements to have the boy sent back home.

Change in Service—Southern Pacific train No. 12, which for several years has been scheduled to leave Fresno at 8:40 a. m. for local points south, commencing Dec. 16th will leave Fresno 8 a. m., running through to Bakersfield via Goshute, Visalia and Porterville, connecting at Goshute Junction for Hanford and west side points, returning leave Bakersfield 1:30 p. m., arriving Fresno 7:10 p. m.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Amy Patterson of Selma is a guest at the Grand Central.

J. W. Robinson is at the Sequoia from Madera.

Charles E. Thompson of Dallas, Tex., is registered at the Hughes.

Dr. H. Trout and son of Portland, Ore., are stopping at the Grand Central.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Cohn are registered at the Sequoia from Stockton.

C. W. Hall is registered at the Grand Central from Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hise are registered at the Grand Central from Woodland.

William C. Fitch and family are down from San Francisco and stopping at the Hughes.

Mrs. N. A. Mills and Miss Sue Heretto are guests of the Hughes from San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Nyman Levy returned on the Owl last night from a trip to San Francisco.

M. B. Dural, a traveling civil engineer for the Southern Pacific, was registered yesterday at the Sequoia from Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Pamberton and Francis Cunningham of Hanford, were guests of the Hughes yesterday.

H. C. Smith, formerly a teacher in the high school here, but now a resident of Madera, was in town yesterday and stopped at the Grand Central.

Miss Katherine Balthis, who has been spending the last couple of days with friends in Oakland, returned last night.

Mrs. A. Butner arrived from San Francisco last night and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rueschaupt of 1849 J street.

## DIED.

HUGHES—In Fresno, December 15, 1906, Mary Hughes, a native of California, aged 63 years.

The funeral will take place this morning from the St. John's Catholic church at 10:30. Interment, Calvary cemetery, Mt. View.

BLAKE—In Fresno, December 16, 1906, Mary E. Blake, beloved mother of R. J. Doyle, a native of Ireland, aged 63 years.

Funeral notice later.

## Funeral of Joseph Rogers

The funeral of Joseph H. Rogers formerly with the Gas Company in Fresno, who died in Los Gatos last Monday, was held in San Jose Thursday afternoon under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World. Religious services were conducted by the Methodist minister. The funeral was largely attended. There were many beautiful floral pieces, including a handsome offering from the Fresno Gas Company. The pall-bearers were: boyhood friends of the deceased, he having spent his early life in San Jose. They were James Barnes, Charles McKenzie, Artie Beatty, James Gregg, Sumner Talbot and William Price.

## Norwegian Steamer Ashore.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 16.—The Norwegian steamer Thomas from Prince of Wales Island to Victoria and Vancouver with concentrate and salmon, went ashore on Scarlet Point, on Friday and will probably be a total loss. The cargo may be saved.

## CASTORIA

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## Cut It Out

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ORGANIZATION

Formed for Supporters of Fish Commissioners.

Ferguson and McIntosh of Fresno Among the Officers Chosen.

Among the officers elected by the specially called meeting of fish and game men, held last Saturday at Sacramento, A. D. Ferguson of Fresno was chosen secretary and W. R. McIntosh of Fresno treasurer. State Fish and Game League is the name of the new organization.

Yesterday's San Francisco Examiner has the following to say of the convention:

Sacramento, Dec. 15.—Seventy-five representative sportsmen of the state met in Hubert's hall in this city today and effected the organization of the State Fish and Game League in order to show that the gun clubs are in hearty accord with the fish commission despite the hostile attitude assumed by the California State Game Protective association, which held a convention at Monterey recently.

Commissioner W. E. Gerber of this city said at today's convention that the Monterey convention was controlled by men who were working against the cause of true sportsmen. As a pledge of their faith in the commission the members of the convention unanimously adopted the report of the committee on resolutions endorsing all the official acts of the commissioners and praising them for their business-like administration. The report showed that the present commissioners had caused more arrests than preceding commissions, that funds had been collected in fines, and that the commissioners had expended their personal funds in discharging their duties without rendering any bills of expense to the state.

Regarding the modification of existing laws, the report read as follows: "We recommend that the dove law, in place of opening on the 1st day of July, should open on the 15th day of July and close on the 15th day of October."

"We recommend that a closed season for grouse be declared for a period of at least three years."

"We recommend that the bag limit for ducks be thirty-five, instead of fifty. We suggest more effective legislation looking to the preventing of any man killing over the bag limit in any one day or having the same in his possession."

"We recommend the abolishment of the law protecting all fish-eating birds except the blue and white cranes or herons."

"We recommend the amendment of section 637A of the Penal Code by adding the word 'robby' after 'meadow lark' wherever the words 'meadow lark' appear in such section."

"We recommend that the closed season for trout fishing be from November 15th to May 1st."

"We recommend that the closed season for salmon be from the 15th of September to the 20th day of October."

"We recommend a bag limit of fifty fish on black bass per day."

"We recommend that no closed season be made for striped bass, but that in lieu thereof the weight limit at which striped bass could be sold or offered for shipment or sale should be increased, and if necessary, restrict their shipment from the state."

"We recommend that there be a closed season on Sacramento perch for four years."

These recommendations were adopted, but not until after there had been quite an exciting skirmish between the quail men and the duck hunters. Former Senator G. G. Goucher and Supervisor W. M. Hughes of Madera, with others, wanted to limit the bag for ducks to twenty-five a day, thus cutting the present limit in two. The committee had submitted a compromise of thirty-five. Representatives of the gun clubs shooting in the marshes of the Sacramento valley fought the twenty-five limit and finally won out by a vote of 8 to 5.

It is proposed to go before the Legislature that will meet in this city next month and ask that body to legislate along lines suggested in the recommendations of the committee on resolutions.

A committee consisting of H. B. Ream of Sisson, Fred Tuttle of Auburn, Lieutenant-Governor Alben Anderson and Frank D. Ryan of Sacramento and J. P. Sidgmore of Suisun, was appointed to further the legislation through the legislature.

There was some discussion of the proposition of distilling the state so that restrictions could be made in the protection of the deer, trout and quail which would be satisfactory to the hunters and sportsmen and be in accord with the climatic conditions.

Just how to curb the market hunters of ducks was another thing that took up time. Some favored stopping the sale of ducks, but this brought forth objection from those who asserted that in case ducks were not put on the market the great percentage of the people would have to go without ducks. The matter was finally dropped, after it had been recommended to cut the bag limit to thirty-five.

The officers elected were as follows: President, F. D. Ryan, Sacramento; first vice-president, William Hughes, Madera; second vice-president, J. H. Barr, Marysville; third vice-president, J. F. Farrallier, Yreka; secretary, A. D. Ferguson, Fresno; treasurer, W. R. McIntosh, Fresno; executive committee, E. A. Forbes, Marysville; G. H. Anderson, San Jose; Phil Brockhart, San Francisco; J. R. Tyrell, Grass Valley, and Edward Ellett of Los Angeles.

The value of submarine mines as an element of harbor defense, General Murray says, has been demonstrated and he maintains the view that the system adopted by the United States army is practically perfect as a war weapon.

"We cannot afford, however," General Murray further states, "to wait for war before completing our mine defenses, but must be prepared beforehand."

But even then, he says, "a complete equipment would be of no use unless there were a trained personnel to plant the mines, maintain them intact, and explode them at the proper instant in action."

General Murray says: "The combination of the coast and field artillery into a corps as is now done is not only unsound as a military principle, but the frequent interchange of officers between these tactically unrelated arms is considered to be clearly detrimental to the efficiency of both."

Orange Land, 2000 Acres  
A rare opportunity for a party of means. See our land sale column, ad. of George Roth.

## Brakeman Takes a Bride

C. M. Gorman and Miss Julia Tackett were married at 9 o'clock last night in the parlors of the Abbotford by the Rev. Duncan Wallace. The rooms had been nicely decorated for the occasion and the ceremony was attended by a dozen or more friends of the contracting parties. Afterward a wedding supper was served at the Cowan house. Mr. Gorman is employed as a passenger brakeman on the Santa Fe with headquarters in Fresno. His bride is a popular and attractive young lady who has many friends here.

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MAJOR DENNETT HERE  
FROM COLORADO SPRINGS

Will Spend a Month Visiting His Friends in This City.

Major W. B. Dennett, one of the oldest residents of Fresno county and well known to thousands of people in this city and vicinity, arrived in Fresno last Saturday evening from Colorado Springs, where he has been making his home for the last five months. He is here to spend the holidays with friends, and then will return to Colorado.

While Major Dennett was known for years in this city as a bookkeeper, city clerk and secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, he was by trade a printer, and was for about thirty years an active member of the International Typographical union. So when, after the death of Mrs. Dennett a few years ago, he found himself without immediate relatives to make his home with, although possessed of independent means, he decided to spend the rest of his life at Colorado Springs, where his long membership in the union entitled him to live.

"I am now," said Mr. Dennett yesterday, "in better health than I have been in for years. Then I left here for Colorado, my physician told me that the condition of my heart would not permit of my living at such a high altitude. But I fooled him, for my heart is now all right, and I am heavier and in better condition than for some years."

"The International Typographical union has provided a very pleasant home for its members at Colorado Springs, and I shall spend the rest of my days there. The institution has eighty acres of land, with some very fine buildings, very well kept up, and the management is very good. There are now 150 old printers there, from all parts of the United States and Canada. The weather is cold now, but not unpleasant, and I have had no occasion to wear an overcoat at any time."

BEACH & BOWER'S  
MINSTREL SHOW

All-White Aggregation Said to Be Unusually Good of Its Kind.

The seat sale will open this morning for Beach & Bower's minstrels, which will be the next attraction at the Barton, Wednesday night next. In criticizing this attraction the Salt Lake Tribune of October 10th had the following:

"The large audience which assembled at the Grand theater to witness the entertainment given by Beach & Bower's minstrels, Thursday night again emphasized the fact that a notable characteristic of Salt Lake theater-goers, that they will patronize most generously a meritorious performance. The show was a pleasing one throughout. The singing was above the average, while the comedy part was excruciatingly funny. The Beach & Bower's minstrels comprise an aggregation each one of whom is an artist within himself. Such artists as George Wade and James Stuart and others are fun-makers and pleasing entertainers of the highest order. The performance last night was of that entertaining character that the S. R. O. sign will be in evidence the balance of their short season at the Grand. Beach & Bower's come direct from New York, and are one of the oldest and best all white minstrel shows not traveling in this country."

The old gags which usually constitute the stock in trade of minstrel companies have been wisely eliminated, and people go away with the pleasing satisfaction that they have witnessed something not given any similar company."

Bright comedians, headed by the well-known George (Daddy) Wade, expert dancers, cultivated singers, musical soloists, star vaudevilles, single double and full stage specialties, grand choruses, special scenic and electrical effects, heart-reaching ballads and comic ditties, brand new jokes and a large orchestra of exceptional ability, all help to round out a program of rare merit, which terminates with a side-splitting farce called, "The Fun Plan." The Olio is the strongest ever put together."

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The Eppinger Tract | Fertile Soil | Plenty of Water | Easy Terms | Eppinger Tract

## THE EPPINGER TRACT

OVER 900 ACRES OF THE RICHEST LAND IN THE COUNTY NOW ON THE MARKET

Orange land, grape land, Peach land; 6 miles from Reedley, 20 miles from Fresno. \$25 to \$70 an acre; one-quarter down, the balance from the product of the land. Long time.

## Here's the Story

This magnificent tract of land has just been placed upon the market and already sales are being made.

Why? Because adjoining it are the 600 acres of W. S. Goodfellow's vineyard; adjoining it are the 2000 acres of vines of the Western Winery; adjoining it are the 600 acres of the Sanford Winery. Near by are the hundreds of acres of the Mt. Campbell orange lands where they are now shipping oranges and making big money.

All around the neighborhood are splendid orange orchards that will make fortunes for their owners.

The vineyards around the Eppinger tract are producing from 10 to 12 tons of wine grapes to the acre.

## Railroad Facilities

There is a branch of the Southern Pacific railroad within one and one-half miles of the Eppinger tract, making the shipping of the products cheap and easy. Packing houses will soon be erected.

The soil is marvelously fertile; plenty of water on every portion of the tract.

## No Frosts

Five weeks after the frost has killed the foliage in the valley the vines are still green near this great tract of land. The climate is warmer in winter and cooler in summer than that of Fresno city.

## One Day From the Famous Redwood Forests

In the summer you may take your family and visit the famous redwood groves. It's only a day's travel.

## Eppinger Tract Land

Will produce the finest of Emperor, Tokay or Malaga grapes. The soil is so rich that the vines are always strong, hardy and magnificent bearers. There is no frost to injure them, no danger of drought, no adverse conditions.

## Buy Now; Buy Liberally

The terms are easy. A small payment, only one quarter down, the balance may be paid on the earnings of the land. The payments will be stretched over so many years.

The orange lands in the vicinity of the Eppinger tract are now producing from \$250 to \$500 per acre. This is the kind of land we are offering at \$25 to \$70 an acre.

Don't you see why it is to your interest to buy promptly?

## W. N. ROHRER &amp; CO.

## SELLING AGENTS

211 Forsyth Building

Phone 1770

## ARMENIANS HOLD



THE SNAP OF THE SEASON

**\$2200** will buy 20 acres of first-class soil, improved to 5 acres Muscadine vines, 5 acres Malaga, 3 acres Thompson's Seedless 3 years old; 1 mile from Clovis; no hardpan or alkali; terms.

**\$25,000** for 180 acre vineyard east of Fresno. House, barn, tracts and other personal property valued at \$50000. Terms, \$10,000 cash, balance long time. For particulars call quick at **REAGAN'S EXCHANGE**, west, D. 11.

FOR SALE—100 acres alfalfa, good improvements. Address P. O. Box 1183, Fresno.

10 acres on Ventura avenue; 5 a. Mulberries, 5 a. figs, 2½ h. p. pump- ing plant. Small house. Inquire for price.

80 acres 2 miles s. w. Fowler; 60 a. \*in Muscat vines, 4 a. wine grapes,

100 acres 7 miles west of city; 80 acres alfalfa, 20 acres grain land, Church water right, good 5-room house, large barn, 2 good horses, 1 wagon, 1 horse.

derriek, and all farming tools  
with place. Price \$11,000; \$500  
cash, balance good terms.

40 acres 3 miles east of Lone Star  
8 a. Muir peaches 4 years old, 14 a.  
Muscat vines, 6 a. Sultanas, 2 a. al-  
falfa, 10 a. grain land, Church wa-  
right, 4-roomed house, good barn, 2  
tons of grain hay, 100 pecking boxes  
25 sweat boxes. Price \$7500; \$500  
cash, balance good terms.

**FOR RENT OR SALE**—Five acres partly improved near town; house, barn and windmill. Inquire 1257 P S

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**NOW IS THE TIME**  
To secure a choice 5, 10 or 20-acre tract

**HABER BROS. CO., 1140 J St.**

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**FOR SALE**—All our Fresno city homes will be sold at a great sacrifice in order to close them out. This is a genuine bargain, sacrifice sale.

**\$21,000—8 $\frac{1}{2}$**  acres east of town, mostly Muscogee, will produce 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  tons per acre; new 2-story house, trays, implements.

ments. An absolutely first-class place  
\$3500—1/4 acres in pencils and berries  
1 mile out on Blackstone avenue  
good cottage; a fine suburban home  
TH. AARESTRUP.  
1930 Tulare Street.  
FOR SALE—120 acres all improved,  
R. and Washington Ave. A 2-story  
house, 2 barns, 2 hay sheds, 2 wagons  
1 spring wagon, 1 cart, 3 horses, ha-

(18,000) sixty-acre vineyard for sale  
L.R., trace Nohava. Zinfandel

an in grapes, mango  
and raisin grapes; six miles from  
Fresno, the W. N. Snow place  
house, seven rooms, barns, sheds,  
boxes, trays, wagons, horses—ever-  
thing goes with the place. Address  
E. A. Roach, Box 86, R. R. 8, Fresno  
or Mrs. W. N. Snow, 1721 Seward  
Union avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

\$1000 will buy a good 3-room nearly new; plastered, one block from car line; good locality. Terms, \$1 cash, balance monthly payments.

\$1200—Four-room cottage, modern plumbing; north part of town. \$2 cash, balance \$15 per month.

\$1400—New 6-room residence, two-story same locality. Terms, \$250 cash, balance \$20 per month.

\$1500—Modern 3-room residence

blocks from court house on O street  
near car line. Terms, \$100 cash, bal-  
ance \$34 per month.  
These properties are offered for much  
less than cost in order to close the  
out at once. For particulars, call  
**PEARSON'S EXCHANGE,**  
Next to P. O.

**FOR SALE**—40 acres, near Fresno; in raising grapes; fine bearing condition; balance excellent land all leveled and fenced. Bearing figs about the 40. Plenty of water. Price \$6000. Address for terms, P. O. Box 908, Fresno.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
**WANTED**—An active, honest partner  
 take half interest in good pay-  
 ing business. Phone Main 1672.  
**WITH \$8000** you can get a first-cl-  
 ass paying business. P. O. Box 1222.  
**NOTICE**—Call on Madam Boles at  
 Cowan for scalp treatment. She  
 treated my hair. Grace Ronald.

WE HAVE a full line of potted plants of all kinds at our greenhouse, 100 Glenn ave.; just the thing for Christmas present. S. W. Marshall & Son.

AGENTS—Canvassers, mixers, peddlers, solicitors, mail order people, etc., should buy Kramer's Book of Trade Secrets Regular price \$5, but

of last edition for \$1.25 as long  
they last. Guaranteed. Order quick  
Sioux Pub. Co., Sutherland, Iowa

**MISS HARVEY'S KINDERGARTEN**  
Afternoons, Kohler Hall, Merced n  
K. Phone Red 1625.

**H. L. CHAMBERLAIN** has opened  
exclusive carriage trimming shop  
855 J street.  
1220 AB. HUGGINS TONS & SPECIAL

**PASTURAGE.**  
A NO. 1 ALFALEFA PASTURE F

horses 1 mile north city limits.  
State 785. Address Box 731.

**GOOD ALFALFA** Pasture for horses  
and cattle. Apply Peter Avakian,  
one mile west of Kearney on Moraga  
between California and Kearney  
avenues.

**PASTORAGE.**—First-class alfalfa  
pasture on White's Bridge road, 7 miles  
west of Colusa, Cal. S. H. Woodland.

CHILDREN'S Home Society of California, Mrs. Annie M. Wilcox, district superintendent, 122 Angus street.



Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals or bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Fresno

said Board, in the Court House in the City of Fresno, up to 2 o'clock p. m., of Tuesday, the 8th day of January,

certified check in the sum of \$1000, drawn upon some reliable bank, in favor of Thomas Martin, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, as liquidated damages in case the successful bidder fails to enter into a contract and file a bond.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

All bids must be addressed to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County and captioned "Bids for

Alma House.  
W. O. MILES,  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.  
By A. D. EWING, Deputy.  
Dated Dec. 8, 1906.

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**Notice to Creditors.**

of Fresno, State of California. In the matter of the estate of George S. Holden, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administratrix of the estate of George S. Holden, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against, said deceased, to present them to her, at her residence, at Fresno, California, within the time therein specified.

against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administratrix, at the office of A. M. Drew, Rooms 10 and 11, Temple Bar Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno.

no, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate,  
**MARGARET A. HOLDEN,**  
 Administratrix of the estate of George S. Holden, deceased.  
 Dated, November 27, 1906.

**Assessment Notice No. 39.**  
Crescent Canal Company, a corporation, Location and principal place of business, Wheatville, Fresno County, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the board of directors held on the 11th day of December, 1906, an assessment of (\$35.00) thirty-five dollars per share was levied upon the subscribed capital stock of the corporation payable on or before the 11th day

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 11th day of January, 1907, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction.

before will be sold on the 11th day of February, 1907, at 1 o'clock p. m. to pay the delinquent assessment together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

C. C. GOODELL, Secretary.

No. 11,515.  
In the Superior Court of the County  
of Fresno, State of California.  
Department No. One. Samuel Rosen-  
heim, Attorney for Plaintiff.

well, G. L. Butler, George D. Easton and Hattie G. Easton, individually, and as executor and executrix respectively of the last will and testament of George Easton, deceased; Wendell Easton, John Doe, Richard Roe, Mary Doe, Lucy Roe, First Doe

The people of the State of California send greeting to Colbert Coldwell, G. L. Butler, George D. Easton and Hattie G. Easton, individually, and as executor and executrix, respectively, of

Easton, deceased; Wendell Easton, John Doe, Richard Roe, Mary Doe, Lucy Doe, First Doe, Second Doe, Third Doe, Fourth Doe and Fifth Doe, defendants.

entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the said County of Fresno, State of California, within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

less you appear and answer as above required the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded.

Given under my hand and seal of  
the Superior Court of the said County  
of Fresno, State of California, this  
22nd day of October, A. D. 1906.  
(Seal) W. O. MILES, Clerk.  
By D. M. Barnwell, Deputy Clerk.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the board of directors held Dec. 8, 06, an assessment of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per share was levied upon

payable on or before the 8th day of January, 1907, to the First National Bank of Fresno, treasurer of the company, at its office in Fresno, Fresno County, Cal.

day of January, 1907, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on February 9th, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the company's office, to pay the delinquent assessments on the stock of the above-named corporation.

CHRIS SMELLEY, Sec.  
Wheatville, Fresno Co., Cal., December 3, 1911.

**NOTICE OF TIME APPOINTED FOR  
PROVING WILL, ETC.**

In the matter of the estate of Christopher Conrady, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Monday given that Monday

the 24th day of December, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the court-

room of said court, department of said county, at the court house, in the City of Fresno, no, in said County of Fresno, has been appointed, by the clerk of said court, at the time and place for proving the will of said Christopher Cunrady, deceased, and for hearing the application of Henry

any person interested may appear and  
contest the same.  
Dated, December 11, 1906.  
(Seal) W. O. MILES, Clerk.  
By D. M. BARNWELL, Deputy Clerk.  
Frank H. Short and F. E. Cook, Attorneys.

news for Petitioner.



# SHINN REPLIES TO CRITICISMS

Made By A. G. Wishon on Reserve Conduct.

Tax on Power Plants One Small Item of Cost of Maintaining Reserves.

Editor Republicans:—In your issue of December 13th, I notice report of action taken by the Fresno Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Supervisors, at the request of the manager of the San Joaquin Light and Power company. Such resolutions are obtained simply for the effect on the California delegation in Congress, and are not based upon any exhaustive investigation and upon hearings of all interests involved.

I have carefully read your report, and I wish to call attention to several items which need correction, and which to my mind are entirely aside from the moral and legal questions really involved in this important matter.

The Fresno manager of the Huntington-Kierckhoff syndicate is a gentleman of known ability, with whom all my relations have been, and will be, extremely pleasant. I regret to observe that (if correctly reported) he thought it well for the sake of emphasis to criticize the management of the forest reserves.

He said "Cattle are being let into the reserves in greater numbers than the meadows will support and they are being eaten and tramped out shamefully."

Let this Sierra reserve be taken as an example. Here, as elsewhere, livestock depend greatly on "browse" or succulent, low-growing vegetation. The meadows are carrying more cattle than before, but (1) all come out in excellent condition; (2) after inspection of the cattle and ranges this autumn by capable and practical rangers, who have themselves owned and bred stock, we find that still more cattle and sheep can and ought to be carried. Range after range is somewhat understocked. To that extent the people of the mountains can be allowed to take in more cattle. Ask such men as Sample, Rodgers, Supervisor Mitchell, Sheriff Collins, and a hundred other very careful stockmen, whose ranges are being so handled that they are now improving.

If it is merely meant by this criticism that cattle should not be allowed on meadows at all because of the needs of tourists, I reply that in my annual report I outline a policy of reserving certain large areas and many meadows along the main trails strictly for camp use. But a general locking out from all meadows would seriously injure or destroy the livestock interests of the mountains and reduce the taxes of all the counties involved.

It is the policy of the reserves to encourage the livestock industry as far as is consistent with other interests; the grazing fees charged are extremely small, hardly more than pay-

ing for actual cost of supervision of animals and range.

As several times expressed to me, and to the forest service, Mr. Wishon thinks it desirable to prevent all grazing in the catchment basins of all power plant reservoirs in reserves. In some districts this would put many men out of the livestock business.

The speaker, as reported, said "The timber is being sold off."

And why not? Shall mature timber remain, and go to waste? Shall the people of the San Joaquin valley go without this much needed timber? Is it not a wise public policy which, by the sale, at fair stumpage rates, of mature timber, steadies the market, reduces the cost to the consumer and the skilled methods of selection and management, insure the perpetuity and improvement of the forest?

In the case of the proposed railroad to the Yosemite valley, one of its most important future assets is the fact that government timber will be sold according to a definite plan, so that a large and steadily demand will be made for rolling stock.

Certainly, no business man in Fresno should or could object to the reserves, which are a source of surplus grass for cattle, and surplus timber for local markets.

The speaker as reported says that the tax proposed on the power companies will "more than pay for the running of the reserves."

Figures respecting the cost of the reserves in the United States will be published in due season—are annually so published. The requirements for the full development of these great areas require so much income that the amount yielded by the proposed tax on power plants forms but one small item (the \$105,000 per year for one plant is visibly a misprint).

In fact the very small tax proposed by the forest service will not yield a hundredth part of the sum stated in the report to which I refer.

The speaker, if correctly quoted, criticized those who run the reserves: "Young fellows from the East, none of them over 30 years old, and with nothing but theoretical ideas."

If this were said, and in this way, I am sorry for it, it is altogether at variance with the facts. It is true, of course, that young men of thirty, who graduated at say twenty-two, and then took hold of active business life, are making very efficient managers, and in a thousand ways put older men on their mettle. But in this case, none of the reserve people are babies. Here, in the Sierra, the average age of our rangers is somewhere about 35 years. All our men are Californians, born and bred. Most of them are mountain men, and they know the work thoroughly. There can hardly be a body of men in America to whom the criticism of being "young" or "Eastern" or "theoretical" so little applies.

But perhaps the speaker merely meant to express his view of the men in Washington, or of those from there whom he has met. Some of these are a young and very energetic men who have won deserved reputations as specialists, who travel much, and who are fully as conversant with Pacific Coast problems as with those of the West and South.

Nothing has more impressed me than the deference paid by Washington members of the forest service to the views of all the local officers of the reserves—the tried and trained mountaineers who know local conditions, as well as it is possible to know them. The whole service at Washington, as elsewhere, seems to me

# WATKINS CLUB BEAT GRANTS

Fresno Team Won By Score of 4-2.

Many Errors Mark the Game. Three Out of Four for Fresno.

The Watkins baseball team of Fresno won the fourth game of a series of five from the Visalia Grants yesterday afternoon on Schimpff's three-bagger when the bases were full. The local boys have already won three out of four, but it is probable that the other game will be played, anyway. Many were disappointed because Overall was not present to pitch for the visitors. The Chicago National twirler went duck hunting Saturday and did not feel disposed to play ball. Stevenson was on the mound in his stead and with the exception of the second inning, pitched a good game. However, the one inning of wildness was sufficient to send the fate of the Grants and Stevenson lost his own game by hitting Schied with the ball, walking Cardwell and Gallagher, and permitting Schimpff to lead off for a three-base hit into left garden, which brought in the three men on bases.

Gallagher for the Fresno team pitched a very good game, holding the Visalia hitters down to two runs on four hits. Errors were entirely too plentiful on the part of both teams, and the small score is due to the fact that the lead spots in playing came when they could do the least harm. Fresno had four passed balls called up against its good reputation before the first inning was over, and this amount was added to by one later in the second inning. Besides these, Keyes erred twice in left field, and Cartwright threw over Cardwell's head. There were some others, of which the visitors had their share but they had little effect on the score.

Visalia started in in the first inning to obtain results. L. Tubbs came to bat first, and planted a safe high fly over third for two bugs. Ward went in first on Cardwell's miff of the third strike, and Tubbs took third on the same play, coming in on a passed ball. After that, the Grants went out in one, two, three order. In Fresno's half of the same inning, Schimpff went out on a grounder, Tubbs to Ward, and Happy Hogan got a safe hit.

Following is the line-up: Fresno—Hogan, catcher; Hogan, Cardwell, first base; Schimpff, second base; Keyes, shortstop; Cartwright, third base; Schied, center field; Keyes, left field; Gallagher, right field.

Visalia—Stevenson, pitcher; Simpson, catcher; Ward, first base; Watson, second base; L. Tubbs, shortstop; Oetman, third base; Coughorn, center field; Kitto, left field; L. Tubbs, right field.

Fresno—Hits 6, runs 4. Visalia—Hits 4, runs 2.

REDDING, Dec. 16.—Two unmarked highwaymen called Perryman William Southern to the opposite side of the river last night. One held him up with a pistol. The other took \$5.50 from his pockets. They then commanded him to hurry across the river, which he did.

The body of a man found alongside the railroad, near Fresno yesterday remains unidentified. He was either thrown from the train or fell off the top.

# FATHER TAKES SON'S REMAINS

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Young Clerk Held in High Esteem By His Fellows. Inquest Yesterday.

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"I have heard of the report that my son was gambling and lost a large sum of money," he said, "but I do not put any stock in the report. His habits were always good and then he had a bank account of over \$200. According to his letters he was getting along here and liked the city very much. He seemed perfectly contented and often mentioned his friends among the clerks. Why, it was only a few days ago that I received a letter from him in which he named over the different presents he expected to send to his brother and sister in Gallatin, Mo., and the remembrance of this incident caused the tears to come to his eyes."

Downing was distressed by the news of his son's tragic death, and was in a critical condition when Mr. Downing started for this city. She was somewhat better yesterday, though still subject to spells of hysteria. Mr. Downing went on to state that his son was aged 25 years, 1 month and 14 days. Two sisters and one brother reside at Visalia and a sister and brother at Gallatin, Davis county, Mo., where the remains will be taken for burial.

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**Beach & Bowers' Famous Minstrels**  
SONGS DANCES  
NEW Jokes Specialties NEW  
GORGEOUS FIRST PART  
Seats Now on Sale  
Prices 25c, 50c, and 75c

**PLOWS**  
Four carloads of plows just received and more coming. Plows for all purposes. If we don't have what you want in the plow line you are hard to suit.  
**Fresno Agricultural Works**  
FRESNO CAL.

**Win**  
You will win if you look into our windows. Watch them for Specials for Christmas. This is the time of year we are willing to make it a little easier for the overburdened giver. We know all about it, so we have a fellow feeling.  
**Dows**  
Wormiser Furniture Co.

**OBERLIN BROS.**  
The Progressive Jewelers  
1119 J Street. Fiske Block  
**Christmas Clocks**  
Prices reduced. From the pretty little bonjour clocks to the big mantel clocks—all are selling now for less than their regular worth. Hurry for yours.

**Redlick's**  
Real Seal Gighams, 121-2c.  
The kind that always sell at 20c a yard. Light or medium blues, gray or pink. Plenty of plain colors. Come promptly.  
\$1.15 Damask 89c.  
A splendid quality of German milled damask; 72 inches wide; firm in weave; satin luster; strong and serviceable.  
\$5 Bed Spreads \$3.89.  
A satin finished spread of extra large size; made of the very finest cotton yarn; reversible patterns; richly embossed. It will make a splendid Christmas gift.  
**Dress Goods For Less**  
Plenty of fine values on the remnant counter in the dress good section. It will pay to go through them. They represent the terrific selling of the past few weeks and in many cases prices have been lowered one-half.  
These extra good specials are for today's selling.  
Bear Skin, the popular coating for children's wear. A new piece just in. The kind that generally sells at \$3.00 per yard. Our price today, yard \$2.25.  
36 inch Wool Coatings in plaid and stripe effect; the heavy weave; made expressly for coating purposes. A \$2.00 value. Our price, yard \$1.75.  
New plaid dress suitings in gray, reversible plaid effect; nobby, fresh looking and at the same time modest in colorings. A \$1.50 value. For, yard \$1.25.  
Broadcloths in the extra widths; all the popular shades including the much sought reds. The \$2.00 kind. Our price, yard \$1.69.  
**Grocery Specials**  
Washing Soda, 3 lbs. ... 5c  
Gloss Starch, 6 lb box ... 10c  
Blueing, bottle ... 7c  
Cold Dust, pkg. ... 21c  
Ivory Soap, 2 bars ... 15c  
Sauer Kraut, lb. ... 4c  
Imported Castile soap, 3 1/2 bar ... 28c  
Surprise Coffee, lb. ... 25c  
Japan Tea, 50c grade, lb. ... 39c  
Fancy Prunes, 7 lbs. ... 25c  
Nulcan Matches, pkg. ... 5c  
Favorite Wheat Flakes, 3 pkgs. ... 25c

**The Coming of Santa Claus**  
"Closing Out Our Entire Stock of Toys"

We are giving up the selling of toys—discontinuing the department. We shall sell every single article in the department at a reduced price. Some 10 per cent less, some 20, some 30, some 50 per cent less.

It's the best chance ever offered to get wanted toys at a big discount from regular prices.

No toys reserved. We will, however, put aside your purchases and deliver them when wanted.

You can purchase nearly twice as many toys here for your money as anywhere else. You will find a good variety and plenty of sales people to serve you.

Big dolls, worth up to \$2.75, now ... 98c	35c Doll Furniture ... 19c	10c Dolls ... 4c	25c Noah's Arks ... 14c
\$1.50 Tool Chests ... 75c	50c Dressed Dolls ... 12c	15c Building Blocks ... 9c	85c Iron Toys ... 48c
90c Tool Chests ... 48c	10c Celluloid Balls ... 4c	15c Musical Tops ... 9c	50c Mechanical Toys ... 23c
10c Cap Pistols ... 4c			

Santa Claus will be here from 4 to 5 p. m. today, with a present for each child who comes with an adult.

**The Big Close to Half Price Suit Sale Continues Today**

We sold nearly one-half of the 180 suits we started with in one day. That demonstrates how good the values are. Women who came to look stayed to buy. Such values as these needed no urging to purchase.

The suits are from one of the best makers in this country. There isn't a single thing to criticize about them.

The materials are all of the finest wools—the right weaves for fine costumes—the making has been carefully done; every little detail has been considered.

The woman who purchases a suit at this sale will have the satisfaction of knowing that she is well dressed; that she is wearing a suit that has been rightly tailored, and that she will look well.

Every suit is new—made this season. Please remember this fact. It makes this sale so different from many others to which you have been invited. With this fact firmly fixed in your mind, read on.

**Women's \$17.50 and \$20.00 Suits For \$9.85**

They are in the stylish Prince Chaps, Etons, Pony Jackets and Norfolk styles; all made with the new plaited skirts. The materials are in the hard twisted worsteds, tweed serges, broadcloths and fancy chevots. Some are plainly tailored, some handsomely trimmed with fancy braids and velvets, some in solid colors, some in plaids and mixtures. Some of the coats are lined with satin, others with silk serge. There will be a small charge made for any needed alterations. We have all sizes, however, so that you are almost certain to be properly fitted.

**Suits Worth \$25, \$30 and \$35 to be Sold for \$16.85**

Elegant costumes, made of rich chevots, silk finished serges, French broadcloths and serges, imported panamas and fancy mixtures. The coats are made in the Pony Jacket, Eton, Blouse, Prince Chap and Chesterfield styles; silk and satin lined. The skirts are 11 gored and fancifully plaited. Owing to the very low price placed on these charming suits we shall be compelled to make a small charge for any needed alterations.

**Suits Worth \$35, \$40, \$45 and \$50 for \$19.85**

They are all sample suits. No two alike. Suits made especially for the high class store.

They are certainly stunning costumes, bound to attract favorable comment. It's one of those rare chances that come in the history of an aggressive store—a stroke of good fortune that should not be overlooked by the woman who is in search of a new suit.

No suits will be reserved or laid aside. None will be sent on approval. The quantity is too limited to permit of it. Plenty of saleswomen will be in attendance to serve you and our skilled alteration department hands will see that you are properly fitted.

very pretty box. Only \$1.25.  
\$3.50 Ready-to-Wear Hats 98c  
The tables in the millinery section are piled high with these elegant hats at this remarkably low price. We have started the clearing out of all hats in earnest. We are not stopping to count the cost or in a loss. Every hat in this lot is new this season. Every hat is a model of beauty.

Specially priced among them are some exceedingly handsome turbans in every good color. Some of felt trimmed in plaid silk and caught at the side with coque feathers. Hats worth up to \$2.50. Choice for

You may choose any trimmed hat in the store and pay us half price: \$10 for a \$20 hat; \$7.50 for a \$15 hat; \$5 for a \$10 hat; \$4 for an \$8 hat; \$3 for a \$6 hat.

**Children's Coats.**  
Plenty of those pretty white Bedford cord short coats in the infants' section; ages 1, 2, 3 years; trimmed with ribbon and silk braid. Special \$2.50  
Silk Coats \$6.  
They are worth a third more. White silk cord; trimmed with lace and silk braid; prettily embroidered.  
**Golf Gloves 35c.**  
For women. Assorted colors. The best glove for winter use, for driving or bicycling.

**Redlick's**  
**Holiday Week Shoe Specials**  
The shoe department manager says he will do the largest business in the history of this store this week. He has received some startling good specials, shoes that come from the world's best makers, and to be sold from a quarter to a third under the prices asked elsewhere.  
Women's Felt Juliettes: fur trimmed; hand turned soles; made with Blum's patent cushion insoles; colors red, black and brown. \$1.50 values. On sale for ... \$1.17  
Ladies' Black Kid Juliettes: felt lined; fur trimmed; fancily embroidered upperst; hand turned soles; opera heels. \$2.25 values. On sale for ... \$1.69  
Ladies' Fancy House Slippers: patent kid or fine vici kid; 1, 2 and 3 straps; a large variety of other styles; opera or French heels. Values up to \$3.00. On sale for ... \$1.83  
Many embroidered Velvet House Slippers; \$1.00 values. On sale for ... 73c  
Men's Imitation Alligator Slippers: brown or black; \$1.25 values. On sale for 83c  
Men's vici Kid Slippers: hand turned soles; Everett or opera styles; brown or black; \$1.75 values. For ... \$1.29  
**Ribbon Specials**  
A large quantity of the new Dresden ribbons have just come in. Ribbons that are very popular and are to be sold for much less than they are actually worth:  
3 inches wide, yard ... 25c  
4 inches wide, yard ... 35c  
5 inches wide, yard ... 45c  
6 inches wide, yard ... 50c